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In re Application of:
Francis L. Garing

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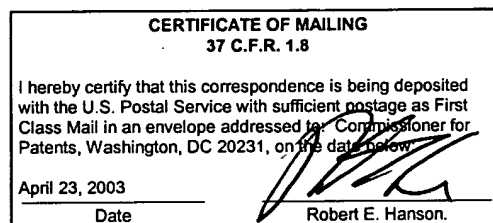
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 23, 2003

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the final Office Action dated January 23, 2003, for which the three-month date for response is April 23, 2003. No fees are believed to be due in connection with the instant paper, however, should such fees be due consider this paragraph a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from *Fulbright & Jaworski, L.L.P.* Account No. 50-1212/DEKA:276US.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.